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Morgan Sindall volunteers revamp Slough care home garden

Residents from Windmill Care Centre, Slough, are enjoying a newly-rejuvenated garden, thanks to green-fingered volunteers from Morgan Sindall.

November 2nd saw a team of eight volunteers from the company's regional Slough office join forces with landscape gardening firm JBW Commercial Services Ltd to take part in a Give and Gain Day.

Organised by The Prince of Wales' charity, Business in the Community (BITC) , the regular events enable responsible businesses to engage positively with the communities in which they work.

Volunteering more than 80 work-hours, the Morgan Sindall team created a raised bed in the current vegetable garden, replacing the existing plants and laying down new soil. Lifting the bed has provided better access and enabled residents who use wheelchairs to enjoy it. The team also removed an overhanging willow, ensuring the garden is safe and secure for residents.

Jo Hawkes, Windmill Care Centre Manager, said: "Morgan Sindall approached us at the beginning of the year to volunteer their services to makeover our garden, which was looking very untidy. It's so important to everyone staying here. The residents were in the dining room looking out and watching what was happening during the day."

"We try to maintain a positive atmosphere at all times and this revitalised garden is only going to bring more joy to the residents."

"It's very powerful that people would come and volunteer their time just to brighten other people's lives. We're thankful that the garden is a lot tidier, nicer and safer for everyone to sit in quietly and enjoy a spot of afternoon tea."

James York, area director for Morgan Sindall in Slough added: "Engaging with the local community is such a big part of the work we are doing here in Slough, and BITC's Give and Gain Day provides an great opportunity to do just that.

The volunteers approached this project like any of the other landmark buildings we are currently delivering - with pride, attention to detail and in the knowledge that what they were doing would have a positive impact on the residents' lives."

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